

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 7-19, 23-35, and 39-46 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 4, 20, and 36 are currently amended to place them in independent form.

Objections

Claims 4-6, 20-22, and 36-38 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Office stated that these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant amends claims 4, 20, and 36 to place them in independent form. Claims 5-6, 21-22, and 37-38 remain dependent on amended claims 4, 20, and 36, respectively, and so are not amended.

1 **CONCLUSION**

2 Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are now in condition
3 for allowance.

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5 Respectfully Submitted,

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